"Combine and Conquer" Building Lesson Units from Documents on Diplomacy

Documents on Diplomacy provides more than 120 lessons based on 300+ documents arranged chronologically for classroom use.

Obviously, the common theme linking the lessons is the diplomatic interaction of the United States with other countries. However, there are many sub-themes within this body of work. It is possible to provide lessons on related topics across historical eras. We have provided this topical or thematic table of contents to jump start "thinking outside the chronological box."

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